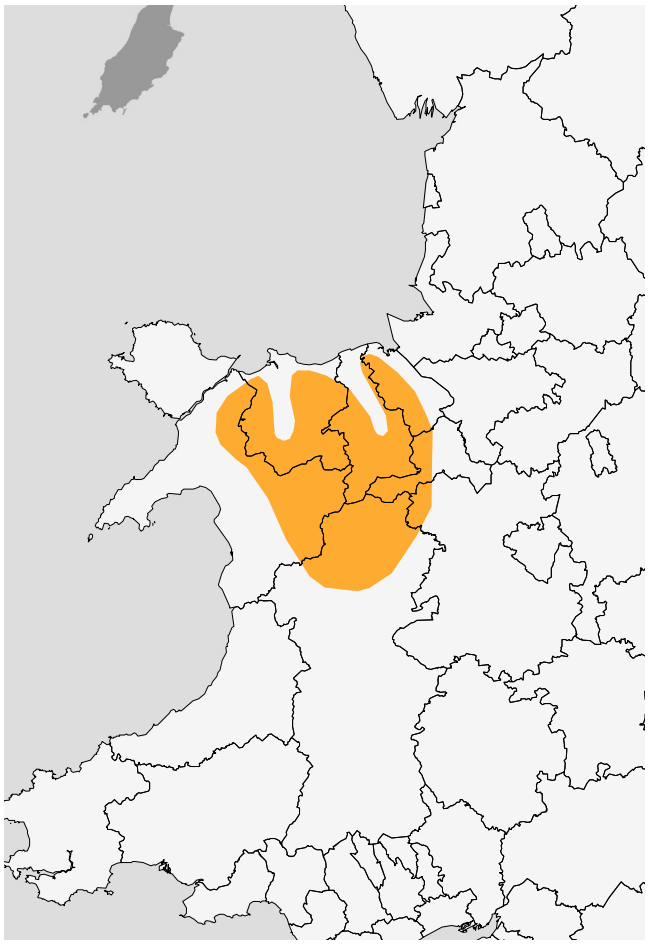
Amber warning
Snow & Ice

Between
08:00 Thu 8 Feb 2024 and
15:00 Thu 8 Feb 2024



Snow and ice is expected to cause disruption across north Wales and northwest Shropshire on Thursday

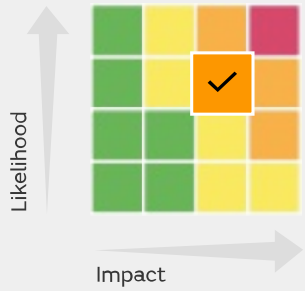
What to expect

- Travel delays on roads are likely, stranding some vehicles and passengers
- Some delays and cancellations to rail travel are likely
- There is a good chance that some rural communities could be temporarily cut off
- Untreated pavements and cycle paths likely to be impassable with injuries from slips and falls likely on icy surfaces
- Power cuts are possible and other services, such as mobile phone coverage, may be affected

Further details

Snow is expected to develop during Thursday morning and become persistent and at times heavy before slowly easing later in the day. As milder air begins to arrive from the south, there is a chance that snow could turn to freezing rain across some higher routes above 200 metres. Across the warning area, 10-15 cm of snow is expected quite widely but some places, particularly those above 200 metres, may see 20-25 cm of snow. Strong and gusty easterly winds may lead to some drifting in places.

What should I do?



Medium likelihood of medium impacts

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Further Details (continued)

It is safer not to drive in these conditions, but if you need to make an essential journey, consider alternative forms of transport, to keep you and others safe. If you must drive, do this more safely by: using dipped headlights; accelerating gently, using low revs and changing to higher gears as quickly as possible; starting in second gear to help with wheel slip; maintaining a safe and steady speed, keeping distance from other vehicles; using a low gear to go downhill, avoiding braking unless necessary; steering into skids, not taking your hands of the wheel, and avoiding slamming on brakes. Similarly, if cycling, try and stick to main roads which are more likely to have been treated.

People cope better with power cuts when they have prepared for them in advance. It's easy to do; consider gathering torches and batteries, a mobile phone power pack and other essential items.

If isolated due to snow, follow these simple steps to keep safe and well: keep the thermostat set to the same temperature both during the day and at night; turn off electrical heaters and put out your fire before going to bed; ensure pets are safe by keeping them warm and comfortable; prevent frozen pipes by opening kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing; stay indoors, wrap up warm and close internal doors to keep the heat in; and, if you need support call the British Red Cross Support Line on 0808 196 3651.

Help to protect the vulnerable people that you know including older people, those with underlying conditions and those who live alone; they may need support with food and medical supplies. If you are worried about your health or that of somebody you know, ring NHS 111.

Stay up to date with the weather forecast for your area and follow advice from emergency services and local authorities.

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All regions & authorities affected

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